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## Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims

1. (previously presented/withdrawn) A flexible mold prepared by the method of claim 11.

## 2-5. (cancelled)

- 6. (withdrawn) The flexible mold as defined in claim 1, wherein said groove pattern has a lattice like pattern constituted by a plurality of groove portions so arranged as to be substantially parallel with one another while crossing one another with predetermined gaps.
- 7. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a microstructure having a projection pattern having a predetermined shape and a predetermined size on a surface of a substrate, comprising the steps of:

providing a flexible mold having a groove pattern having a shape and a size corresponding to those of said projection pattern on a surface thereof, and including a base layer made of a first curable[[ed]] material having a viscosity of 3,000 to 100,000 cps at 10 to 80°C and a coating layer made of a second curable[[ed]] material disposed on the surface of the base layer having a viscosity of not greater than 200 cps at 10 to 80°C;

arranging a curable rib precursor material between said substrate and said coating layer of said mold and filling said molding material into said groove pattern of said mold;

curing said molding material and forming a microstructure having said substrate and said projection pattern integrally bonded to said substrate; and

releasing said microstructure from said mold.

(previously presented) The manufacturing method as defined in claim 7, wherein said molding material is a photo-curable material. Application No.: 10/517644 Case No.: 57964US004

(previously presented) The manufacturing method as defined in claim 7, wherein said microstructure is a back plate for a plasma display panel.

- 10. (previously presented) The manufacturing method as defined in claim 9, which further comprises a step of independently arranging a set of address electrodes substantially in parallel with each other while keeping a predetermined gap between them.
- 11. (previously presented) A method of making a flexible mold comprising: coating a first curable material having a viscosity of 3,000 to 100,000 cps at 10 to 80°C on a support film;

coating a second curable material having a viscosity of not greater than 200 cps at 10 to 80°C on a master mold filling recesses of the mold:

laminating the coated support to the coated mold such that the first curable material is between the second curable material and the support film;

heat curing or photocuring the first and second curable material; and releasing the flexible mold from the master mold.

- 12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein first curable material is photocurable.
- 13. (previously presented) The method of claim 12 wherein the first curable material contains a urethane acrylate oligomer, an epoxy acrylate oligomer, or a combination thereof.
- 14. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein the second curable material is photocurable.
- 15. (previously presented) The method of claim 14 wherein the second curable material contains an acrylic monomer selected from the group consisting of acrylamide, acrylonitrile, acrylic acid, and acrylic acid ester.

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16. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein the first curable material and second curable material are photocurable.

- 17. (previously presented) The method of claim 16 wherein the support film is optically transparent such that rays of light irradiated for curing can transmit through the support film.
- 18. (previously presented) The method of claim 17 wherein the first curable material and second curable material are photocured through the support film.
- 19. (previously presented) The method of claim 7, wherein said flexible mold is suitable for making microstructures of a back plate for a plasma display panel.
- 20. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein the rib precursor contains a ceramic component, a glass component, and a binder component.
- 21. (new) The method of claim 11 wherein the support film is flexible.
- 22. (new) The method of claim 11 wherein the support film is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene terephthalate, polyethylene naphthalate, and polycarbonate.
- 23. (new) The method of claim 11 wherein the support film has a thickness ranging from 50 to  $500 \mu m$ .
- 24. (new) The method of claim 11 wherein during laminating the second curable material is replaced by the first curable material.

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